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Democracy 4.0 Workshop Content

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PART 1

WHAT TOOLS?

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1. Intro

Aims of the workshop:

- Show the tools investigated, developed or used by the media-activists, hacktivists, citizen journalists, etc. to improve organization, collaboration and horizontality in or among collectives.
- Prepare the attendants of the workshop to be able to replicate the workshops.
- Open the possibility create nodes that would continue investigating, developing or using the tools.
- Create mutual support connection, so after the workshop you can go deep into the tools with the rest of the group.

Some warnings:

- This is not about promoting companies such as Facebook or Google, but to use its software with the intention of influencing the public opinion or to organize groups or campaigns.
- The methodologies used for decision taking could be so different in many cases, like participative democracy, liquid democracy, complete consensus, agreed verticality, dispersion, etc.
- This is not a speech where you listen and obey, instead of that you can interrupt, ask, question, criticise, open debate... And you can get involved, participate, and even take the workshop and explain the content by yourself.

Information flows, lurking and going with the flow.

2. Tools

Organization and coordination - internal communication

Pad

<http://titanpad.com/>

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<http://notes.occupy.net/>

<http://piratepad.net/front-page/>

- For what
 - Organization
 - Colaborative working
 - Documentation
 - Translation
 - Minutes
- Pad of the Workshop
- How it works
- Transparency and documentation

Mailing List

Consejos y herramientas para la comunicación. 15M

<https://lists.riseup.net/www/>

<http://googlegroups.com/>

<https://lists.takethesquare.net/>

- For what
 - Discuss
 - Organization
 - Structure building
- How it works
 - Netiquette <http://wiki.hacktivistas.net/index.php?title=Netiqueta>
- Dealing with trolls
- Create a mailing list for the people of the Workshop!

Mumble

mail<http://www.mumble.com/>

<http://takethesquare.net/2011/10/04/mumble-setup-walkthrough/>

<http://mumble.tomalaplaza.net/>

<http://mumble.sourceforge.net/>

- For what
 - Online assemblies
 - Radio Mumble
 - Safe communication
 - Live translation
- How it works
- Main issues
 - Main configuration
 - Initial Configuration window
 - Text-to-Voice
 - Interface
 - Sending voice
 - Sound

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OcuppytheComms

<https://occupythecomms.cc/>

- For what
 - Live multimedia coverage
- How it works - short
 - Protocol page for more detail

Alternative social networks

- Organization and for taking decisions
 - <http://n-1.cc>
 - <https://we.riseup.net/>
 - <http://www.anonymsocial.com/>
 - <http://upriser.com/>
- Just social
 - <http://identi.ca/>
 - <https://joindiaspora.com/>

Dropbox

<https://www.dropbox.com/>

-> Ask someone to explain it

- For what
 - File backup
 - File sharing
 - Sharing folders
 - Publishing in web
- How it works

Security

<https://securityinabox.org/en>

-> Fast comment

- GPG
 - Certificate http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GNU_Privacy_Guard
 - Public and Private key

Spreading info - external communication

Blog

<http://wordpress.com/>

-> Open a Blog

- For what
 - Presentation

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- Building structure
- Static content
- Statements and releases
- Contact data or formulary
- RSS
- Creating alternative media
- How it works. Short Explanation.
- Free Wordpress vs Own Wordpress

Wiki

http://wiki.creativecommons.org/Main_Page

<http://wiki.15m.cc/wiki/Portada>

<http://pbworks.com/>

Twitter

<https://twitter.com/>

- For what
 - Press coverage
 - Massive campaigns
 - Engage debate
 - Live information
 - Organization - decision taking
 - Find contacts
- Warnings
 - Commercial
 - Selfish
 - Virality
- Basic usage
 - Creating an account
 - Follow, get followed
 - DM: Direct Message
 - @ vs #
 - Trending Topics
- Advanced usage
 - Search
 - Lists
 - Trolling
- Campaigns / Virality
 - Pad - decision taking, sexy HT
 - Twitter Algorithm - Believers vs Activists
- Related Tools
 - <http://www.tweetdeck.com/>

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- <http://topsy.com/>
- <http://trendsmap.com/local/spain>
- Main issues
 - Overload
 - Bots and Spam
 - Security

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/ioviaggio.dasola>

-> Everybody uses it. Not much details needed by the trainers.

-> Ask people to explain experiences.

- For what
 - Massive spreading
 - Find contacts
- Warnings
 - Commercial
 - Public information from and for everyone
 - Funding method
 - Awful organization
- Main issues
 - Access without account
 - Censorship
 - Account suspended

Streaming

- For what
 - Live coverage
 - Avoid censorship
 - Avoid repression
 - Creating alternative media
 - Assembly participation
 - Taking people out to the streets
- Warnings
 - Commercial
 - Star streamers
 - Funding method
- Main platforms
 - <http://www.livestream.com/guide/livetv>
 - <http://www.ustream.tv/>
 - <http://bambuser.com/>
- Requisites

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- Phone
- Computer
- Connection
 - WiFi
 - 3g
 - Save lost frames on the phone
- Streamer
 - Install into phone: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.bambuser.broadcaster>
 - How to stream
 - Basic usage - Bambuser tutorial
 - Advanced usage
 - Gadgets
 - Viewers interaction
- Studio editor
 - <http://www.xsplit.com/>
 - Livestream
- Media Center
 - Coordination with streets
 - Fixed cameras
 - Connection prior
- Extra tools
 - <https://secure.livestream.com/myaccount/launchchannel>

Crowdmap

<https://crowdmap.com/mhi>

<https://womenundersiegesyria.crowdmap.com/>

Storify

<http://storify.com/>

<http://storify.com/antderosa/2011-timeline-of-protest-revolution-and-uprising>

3. Strategies

Tools for horizontality

<http://titanpad.com/tools4horizontality>

Social Media Campaign

<http://titanpad.com/14nriseup15mbcn>

<http://notes.occupy.net/p/Resistanbul>

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Streaming against repression

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k-KiCwj96sU>

Streaming for transparency and outreach

<http://99agora.net/>

4. Infographic

http://prezi.com/ludnkvbpe_t5/social-participation-and-new-technologies-new-perspectives-for-social-change/

PART 2

WHAT PROSPECTS?

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6. Preface
7. Examples of Participation
8. Infographic

From Tunisia to Taksim, Notes to emerge unscathed from a Blackout Democracy on the net, from representative to participative democracy

"The political structures must change. But the replacement will emerge as people act and communicate in the present, not talking about the future." Open Source Democracy, Douglas Rushkoff, 2003

5. Intro

From Turkey to Spain, from the U.S. to the Arab world, from Bulgaria to Brazil, the popular uprising that took the streets to denounce corruption, political blindness of their classes or unfair distribution of wealth have been demonstrated through different geographies, histories and cultures of the planet.

While these mass demonstrations contradict the theory of depoliticization of the people, is open, however, legitimate questions about the future of representative democracy, the system of government and values that the democracy can claim as one of its major achievements.

Is democracy as we know in crisis? Do we live a true change of era or just going through a further stage in its evolution?

Victims of an endless crisis of representation, citizens feel exploited by planetary financial

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interests, this financial interests are blind and deaf to unemployment, austerity, environmental, rights... and represents a clear absence of future. Even more serious in most of the countries, democracy seems undermined by a displacement to the extremes: populism, chronic absenteeism, lack of trust of citizens in their political class and consequently exists a political impotence. This summary will try to demonstrate the participation through social networks. A critical mass discussed endlessly until the world's governments deign to give them a voice and vote for their decisions, until that time comes, will continue to call "*Notes to emerge unscathed from a Blackout*"

6. Preface

1.1 The members of the Parliament represent popular sovereignty, but sovereignty belongs to the people. Since all members together represent popular sovereignty, a fraction of it would be subtracted, the corresponding share of sovereignty given the amount of people who use their right to vote. Therefore, our participation would be proportionate and fair. [english]

[http://blog.p2pfoundation.net/participatory_democracy_2/2011/06/22?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed:+P2pFoundation+\(P2P+Foundation\)](http://blog.p2pfoundation.net/participatory_democracy_2/2011/06/22?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed:+P2pFoundation+(P2P+Foundation))

1.2 2008 Deputy from Valencia Case starts the idea of demo 4.0 [spanish]

http://sociedad.elpais.com/sociedad/2008/12/16/actualidad/1229382004_850215.html

1.3 2008 The neighbors of Jun (Granada) decided through a virtual consultation which projects will be developed in the municipality with 420,000 euros that correspond from Local Investment Fund [spanish]

http://tecnologia.elpais.com/tecnologia/2009/01/13/actualidad/1231838884_850215.html

Participative democracy as a tool never as a end, never against participate in democracy but without knowledge, difficult to vote proposals. Once you have the chance to vote, you need to have the chance to know what are you voting about.

1.4 Important to start with tools of participation, to create the the culture of pro-common, different from public. [english] <http://blog.p2pfoundation.net/proposed-next-steps-for-the-emerging-p2p-and-commons-networks/2013/04/02>

Transparency is not a huge amount of data every day in your news but a clear exposition of every topic whenever one person go and ask to our government

7. Examples of Participation

2.1 A brief look at some new prototypes of democracy [english]

<http://blog.p2pfoundation.net/towards-the-partner-state-model-of-civic-commons-governance/2012/09/01>

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2.2 PeopleWitness as an example of Citizen Journalism in Spain [english] http://medialab-prado.es/article/periodismo_ciudadano

2.3 Wiki Brest [french] <http://www.wiki-brest.net/index.php/Accueil>

2.4 Linz, Austria. A mixture of open standards and software in their data, participation and decisions taken in benefit of the commons [english] http://blog.p2pfoundation.net/open-commons-linz/2011/10/02?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+P2pFoundation+%28P2P+Foundation%29

2.5 The case of the City of Naples, which has a political post of mayor's assistant commons, occupied by citizens [english] <http://www.bollier.org/mayor-naples-champions-commons>

2.6 The Digital Cabinet of the Government from Rio Grande do Sul, in Brazil which is betting more for networked democracy [portuguese] <http://gabinetedigital.rs.gov.br/>

2.7 In UK mysociety propose different alternatives to interact in a direct democracy [english] <http://www.mysociety.org/>

2.8 Digital Cabinet of Rio Grande do Sul was inspired, among other things, in some processes and tools from Spanish 15M. The Propongo [spanish] <http://propongo.tomalaplaza.net/> in which citizens can submit policy proposals before being voted

2.9 The 15M movement, set of processes and methodologies, is also being quoted as a prototype network of democracy by many thinkers [spanish] <http://15m.virtualpol.com/> Assemblies registered in real time, open documents (usually in TitanPad or PiratePad), collaboration and networking, cross connections between different assemblies, groups and nodes

2.10 The initiative Demo4Punto0 found a hybrid parliamentary voting method to balance the votes of the deputies with citizen participation [english] <http://demo4punto0.net/en/node/16>

2.11 The neighborhoods assemblies as researcher Adolfo Estalella says, turn the city into a file, a hardware, a method. [english] <http://www.prototyping.es/15m/assembling-neighbours-the-city-as-archive-hardware-method>

2.12 "Participative Art" The Interruption of the Dominant Narrative, an interview with Colectivo Enmedio from Barcelona [english] <http://guerrillatranslation.com/2013/06/23/the-interruption-of-the-dominant-narrative-an-interview-with-colectivo-enmedio/>

2.13 Spain's Micro-Utopias: The 15M Movement and its Prototypes [english] <http://guerrillatranslation.com/2013/05/16/spains-micro-utopias-the-15m-movement-and-its-prototypes/>

2.14 Net Parties: Who they are and how they're different [english] <http://guerrillatranslation.com/2013/04/17/net-parties-who-they-are-and-how-theyre->

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2.15 Hacker ethic [english] https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hacker_ethic

8. Infographic

Summary [english] <http://bit.ly/142exuH>

General [english] <http://bit.ly/1csFm4c>